

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1406

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the employees of the City of Kingston upon the completion of the new Employees Pavilion.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who, through an abiding commitment to excellence and dedication to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens, have made significant and lasting contributions to their respective communities and to this State; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the City of Kingston are certainly such outstanding individuals who have generously donated their time and resources to construct a new pavilion for City Park; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, as city department heads and various staff members were searching for a worthy project for their Management Training Courses, Fire Chief Willie Gordon was struck with the brilliant idea of replacing the old and dilapidated pavilion, which was constructed in 1961, with a brand new, state-of-the-art facility for city employees and the entire community of Kingston to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, in order to raise the necessary \$100,000 to complete this glorious project, city employees rallied together in hosting and attending chili suppers, spaghetti suppers, road blocks, bake sales, rummage sales, and raffles; and

WHEREAS, this extraordinary venture has been warmly welcomed by a thankful community which has been uplifted and inspired by the employees' diligent efforts, and while the city employees managed the work, a number of local contractors and vendors have graciously donated materials and labor for the cause; and

WHEREAS, capable of providing a comfortable retreat for 300 citizens at a time, this stunning new structure stands at sixty-eight by ninety-feet and features handicapped accessible

restrooms, a small room for surveillance equipment, and a full commercial grade kitchen, complete with a range, hood system, refrigerator, and ice machine; and

WHEREAS, named, the Employees Pavilion, this magnificent achievement will be officially turned over to the City of Kingston at the employees cookout on July 2, 2010, and will stand as a lasting monument to the quality and character of this great city's exceptional employees; and

WHEREAS, the employees of the City of Kingston are wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the employees of the City of Kingston upon the completion of the new Employees Pavilion, applaud their resourcefulness and initiative, and wish them every success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.